Tuition means the charge for instruction by the institution of higher education in which the fellow is enrolled.

Underrepresented in areas of national need means proportionate representation as measured by degree recipients, that is less than the proportionate representation in the general population, as indicated by—

- (i) The most current edition of the Department's *Digest of Educational Statistics*:
- (ii) The National Research Council's *Doctorate Recipients from United States Universities*;
- (iii) Other standard statistical references, as announced annually in the FEDERAL REGISTER notice inviting applications for new awards under this program; or
- (iv) As documented by national survey data submitted to and accepted by the Secretary on a case-by-case basis.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135-1135d)

Subpart B—How Does an Institution of Higher Education Apply for a Grant?

§ 648.20 How does an institution of higher education apply for a grant?

- (a) To apply for a grant under this part, an institution of higher education shall submit an application that responds to the appropriate selection criteria in §648.31.
- (b) In addition, an application for a grant must—
- (1) Describe the current academic program for which the grant is sought;
- (2) Request a specific number of fellowships to be awarded on a full-time basis for the academic year covered under the grant in each academic field included in the application;
- (3) Set forth policies and procedures to ensure that in making fellowship awards under this part the institution will seek talented students from traditionally underrepresented backgrounds;
- (4) Set forth policies and procedures to assure that in making fellowship awards under this part the institution will make awards to individuals who satisfy the requirements of §648.40;
- (5) Set forth policies and procedures to ensure that Federal funds made

available under this part for any fiscal year will be used to supplement and, to the extent practical, increase the funds that otherwise would be made available for the purposes of this part and, in no case, to supplant those funds;

- (6) Provide assurances that the institution will provide the institutional matching contribution described in
- § 648.7;
- (7) Provide assurances that, in the event that funds made available to the academic department under this part are insufficient to provide the assistance due a student under the commitment entered into between the academic department and the student, the academic department will, from any funds available to it, fulfill the commitment to the student;
- (8) Provide that the institution will comply with the requirements in subpart F; and
- (9) Provide assurances that the academic department will provide at least one year of supervised training in instruction to students receiving fellowships under this program.
- (c) In any application period, an academic department may not submit more than one application for new awards.

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Subpart C—How Does the Secretary Make an Award?

§ 648.30 How does the Secretary evaluate an application?

- (a) The Secretary evaluates an application on the basis of the criteria in §648.31.
- (b) The Secretary awards up to 100 points for these criteria.
- (c) The maximum possible score for each criterion is indicated in parentheses.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1135, 1135b)

\$648.31 What selection criteria does the Secretary use?

The Secretary uses the following criteria to evaluate an application: